FREE HEARING WORKSHOPS THIS MONTH!

Hearing loss is the #1 reason OLLI members leave OLLI

A recent study by U.C. Berkeley showed OLLI members quit because of hearing loss and the frustration and/or embarrassment it causes. In effort to counter this trend, OLLI is partnering with faculty and students in the CSU, Chico Center for Communication Sciences & Disorders (CMSD) to discuss common issues and develop strategies for improving the teaching and learning environment for individuals with hearing loss and auditory-based processing disorders.

In addition to Free Hearing Screenings and Poster Sessions on Oct. 16 and 23 at the OLLI office, there will also be a culminating discussion on Tuesday, Oct. 30, 4:30pm at the Gateway Science Museum. In this culminating discussion, Dr. Suzanne Miller will address the topic of hearing loss and share strategies for improving the teaching and learning environment for individuals with hearing loss and auditory-based processing disorders. All are welcome on 10/30. No sign-ups needed for this final event in the series.

JUG BAND MUSIC BRINGS EVERYTHING INCLUDING THE KITCHEN SINK!

“Stingy Woman Blues,” Observations by Program Director Ann Nikolai

I had the pleasure of sitting in on Rebecca Herring Reiner’s Jug Band Music class last week and quickly found myself singing along to the lyrics projected on the big screen. With rhythmic refrains like, “I need peaches in the summer, apples in the fall…” my work day blues quickly melted away. What a joy!

And what an assembly of instruments! Twenty-five members in the Gordon 1 classroom play fiddles, guitars, gourds, ukuleles, kazooos, wash boards, and a wash bin (pictured, right, with Jerry Gofstein standing). There are open seats in this Thursday class through December. Stop in and have some fun!

WRITERS NEEDED

Help us Thank Our Donors

Donations to OLLI are a vital part of our ability to go forward without University help. We are looking for a few volunteers who would be willing to write simple ‘thank you’ notes to our generous donors. We will provide the stationary and handle the postage. Are you willing to help us? Call the OLLI office at 898-6679 to volunteer.
A MESSAGE FROM THE CRAIG HALL TEAM

Manager Jon Timko asked us to update OLLI members on Monday’s incident

On Monday, a dining hall staff member received a text threat (not from an OLLI member!), which triggered precautionary measures to be taken. The main offices were closed, and the incident was fully investigated. The disturbance caused some confusion with the OLLI keys, although the manager assisted our staff in getting signs up on all of the OLLI classroom doors and the Craig buildings, notifying members that the keys were relocated to the OLLI Service Desk in the Bradley lobby area.

Jon and his staff want to reassure our members that the issue was resolved and normal operations resumed in full on Tuesday. OLLI staff are grateful to the Craig Student Living team for communicating with us throughout the disturbance. We are happy and relieved the situation was quickly resolved.

“HEALTHIER YOU!” LECTURE SERIES STILL RUNNING

OLLI Community Partnership to Focus on Pro-Active Rehab Therapies!

Falls are one of the leading causes of injury and death for older adults. By exercising, you can improve your balance and your strength so you can stand tall and feel more confident when you’re on your feet. Enloe’s “Healthier You!” series has three more classes on Tuesdays from 3 to 4pm—all of which focus on rehab therapies to help with balance, mobility, and strength. Join us to learn pro-active measures you can take to protect yourself from those deadly falls.

Tuesdays, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Nov 13, from 3-4pm at the Enloe Conference Center, 1528 Esplanade

JANET TURNER PRINT MUSEUM

Campus Exhibit Celebrates Local Talent

The Deep Etch: Legends of Chico exhibition is on display October 9 – December 8. The exhibit features work by CSU, Chico faculty, including the late artists Richard Hornaday, James Kuiper, Ann Pierce, and Claudia Steel. Attend the exhibition talk by OLLI’s own Professor Emerita Dolores Mitchell on Thursday, October 18 at 5:30pm in the Zingg Recital Hall on the CSU, Chico campus. Reception to follow at The Janet Turner Print Museum.

GATEWAY MUSEUM LECTURE SERIES

Five Consecutive Wednesdays in October at 7:30pm in the Gateway Science Museum

The Fall 2018 Museum Without Walls lecture series, Nanoscale Wonders Unseen, will take place at the Gateway Museum on consecutive Wednesdays at 7pm, October 3—31. The lectures feature contemporary research and developments in the field of NanoScience. Can’t attend? No worries! Watch live online at www.csuchico.edu/stream.
OREGON SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL ACTORS TO PERFORM FOR OLLI

Private OLLI Performance

The CSU, Chico residency program partners professional artists with students. On Tuesday, November 27, OLLI students are invited to observe a small ensemble of the revered Oregon Shakespeare Festival (OSF). A private performance—for this OLLI class only—will be followed by a discussion with the actors. You are welcome to bring your non-member friends. The cost is just $15 per person! Payment can be made online or by calling the office at 898-6679. Don’t miss out!

Tuesday, November 27, from 9 to 11am, at Laxson Auditorium

IN MEMORIUM

Prime Timers Past President Leaves Legacy

We note the passing of an indomitable spirit, Lena Valcarenghi. She joined Prime Timers in the 1990s and went on to become president of the organization from 2003-2005. During her term as president, Lena was instrumental in having Prime Timers become a part of the national Osher Lifelong Learning Institute network. Friends have shared how Lena, once she set a goal, would just keep charging forward until it was accomplished, gathering groups of volunteers to champion the causes in the process.

Roxanne Ferry, OLLI member and also past president, said it didn’t matter how many times you told Lena “no,” she would wind up convincing you to do it—and to have fun while you were at it! Lena and her husband, John, were both active members of OLLI for years, leading classes, guiding international trips, and forming groups for the growth and enjoyment of their members, who will remember them both fondly.

A memorial will be held in her honor at 4pm this Saturday, October 13, at the Seventh Day Adventist Church of Chico located at 1877 Hooker Oak Avenue.

FALL 2018 CALENDAR

Mark your calendars!

October 15 – Dec. 7 ...............Medicare Open Enrollment Period
October 16 & 23 .....................Hearing Workshop (OLLI Office)
November 12 .......................Veterans’ Day Observed. No classes Held.
November 19-23 ....................Thanksgiving Break. No Classes Held
December 12 ......................Holiday Luncheon
December 14 ........................Last Day of Fall Classes (All Locations)

HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

If you have something to say, a photo to share, or a question to pose to the editor, you can submit information using our new “OLLI Newsletter Submission” form.

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